

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER ~ Terry Kozlowski

Fall is here! For some, it's the best time of the year, cool nights, milder temperatures, and fall colors. Fall highlights our Club banquet and it's scheduled for the first Thursday in October at Holy Cross Church. This year's banquet is very special as it marks our 40th year anniversary as a music club. Enjoy dinner and the evening activities as this will be a special celebration. Bring your instruments as we will conclude the evening with our typical jam session.

It's time to start preparations for our Christmas program and practice times in October and possibly November. Marsha will highlight the Christmas practice dates and tunes in her article. Officer elections take place on November 2, 2023. Peggy Kustra has accepted the nomination for President. Cindy Semrau has accepted the nomination for VP of Business. Sue Tranquilla has accepted the nomination for Secretary. Thank you for accepting the nomination. A special thank you to the nominating committee, Peggy Kustra, Theresa Smith, and Sally Niemczewski for your efforts.

PayPal is now operational on our website!!! Thank you Karen for your hard work setting up this massive project and seeing it through to its operational status. *Thanks*, Terry.....734-560-8204 <u>Silverstrings.President@gmail.com</u>

## OCTOBER CALENDAR

05 - 40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	<i>Banquet</i> 6:00 pm
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- 12 Holiday Music Practice - - 6:30 pm
- 13 Playdate at Cedarbrook- - 2-3:00 pm
- 19 SSDS JAM & 'After Hours' - 7:00 pm
- 26 Holiday Music Practice - - 6:30 pm

For more information on all upcoming events, click on: https://www.silverstrings.org/sections/events/events.html

## VP - BUSINESS NOTES ~ Harold Crane

Hey, it's October! Cooler temps, shorter days, changing colors, and falling leaves. Here are a few dates to mark on your calendar for this month:

October 5th, Thursday- our 40th banquet at Holy Cross

October 13th, Friday-play date at: Cedarbrook-Northville 15700 North Haggerty Road Plymouth, Michigan 48170 2:00 to 3:00 pm

October 31st, Tuesday-HALLOWEEN - OH BOY!! I hope everyone has a wonderful Michigan October and enjoys playing music with your friends. See ya' soon,

Harold...810-356-2842 Silverstrings.Business.Manager@gmail.com

## MARSHA'S MUSINGS ~ Marsha Kozlowski

**MUSIC CHANGES:** I am in the midst of reviewing the club's music. Some of the After Hours tunes will be moved into the regular repertoire. There are a few tunes that need to be re-tagged. There are After Hours tunes not yet in Dropbox. The Table of Contents and Music Revision list will also be updated. In the meantime, please be patient. Check Dropbox regularly to make sure you have the most recent version and all the music. Since the advent of Spirit Jams, COVID and the active After Hours jams, the music has gotten ahead of me. If something appears to be missing, send me a note so I can follow up on it. If you notice something that needs "fixing" – like an incorrect chord, a missing or wrong note, etc., make a copy of the tune, circle the item and give it to me.

**Practice Tune Video** – To date, there are practice videos of 89 tunes available on our website. The latest one is Young Roddy McCorley.

Holiday Music Preparation. There will be two practices on October 12 & 26 at 6:30 p.m. and a final rehearsal on November 9 at 6:30 p.m. If you are considering performing any of the holiday gigs, please try to make at least 1 of these practices.

Look at and run through suggested new tunes:

**O** Holy Night – C (would be our feature tune). Christmas in Killarney appears to be an early favorite and would feature our great whistle players. The Marvelous Toy would replace Santa Is Coming to Town...so is there someone who could/would create a marvelous toy to be a visual focal point? Heigh Ho/Patapan medley is in a minor key and has some cool possibilities; Still, Still Still/Oh Christmas Tree medley – I envision featuring the MDs/autoharps in this one.

### Marsha.... 734-239-4190

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## OCTOBER BIRTHDAY'S .. LET'S CELEBRATE !

- 1...Ernie Stewart
- 5...Debbie Guy
- 8...Susan Calkins
- 9...Pam Haskell
- 12...Nancy Straky
- 15...Laurie Patterson
- 17...Carol Anne Matthews
- 19...Gail VanAmberg
- 23...Alice Gajewski
- 24...Jim Fry
- 26...Ann Wassell
- 30...Bev Scott

If you don't see your name here for your birthday please let me know. David dtsmithnet@yahoo.com

## HIGHLAND LIBRARY MUSIC JAM

Highland Township Library 444 Beach Farm Circle, Highland Charter Twp. The following Mondays, from 11:00 to 1:00 pm: October 9, & 30 November 13, 20 & 27 December 11 *We'll be playing slower than at regular jams!* Denise Harris-Fiems <u>deniseharrismiti@yahoo.com</u>

## **MUSIC FESTIVALS**

Huron Harp Fest October 13 - 15, 2023 Goderich, ON https://huronharpfest.com/

Black Mountain Music Festival October 14 - 19, 2023 Black Mountain, NC www.blackmountainmusicfest.com/

The Nomination Committee has a current list of members willing to run for office for the year 2024.

- President: Peggy Kustra
- Vice President Business: Cindy Semrau
- Vice President Programs: Chris Wolschon
- Treasurer: Patty Wolschon
- Secretary: Sue Tranquilla

However, if any member wishes to add their name and run for any board member position, please contact the nomination committee members:

- Peggy Kustra peggyakustra54@gmail.com Theresa Smith tsmithuke@yahoo.com
- Sally Niemczewski siniemczewski@yahoo.com

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Just a reminder that **your annual dues will be expiring soon** and you will need to renew them in order to keep your membership active! To pay by using PayPal visit <u>Silver Strings Dulcimer Society - Membership</u>

Of course, you can still renew your dues by US Postal Mail or directly handing the money or check to our Treasurer, Patty Wolschon, at a club jam. If sending, please send check payable to Silver Strings Dulcimer Society, PO Box 51446, Livonia, MI 48151.

# **Open Mic Night**

at

Holy Cross Lutheran Church THIRD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH REFRESHMENTS - 6:30 PM OPEN MIC FROM - 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Join us for our next Open Mic Night on Friday October 20<sup>th</sup>

Come share your music, song, original poetry/spoken word, or just relax, listen and enjoy free refreshments and wifi! No admission charge.

Holy Cross Lutheran Church 30650 Six Mile, Livonia, MI

Everyone is Welcome!

Check the Abbey Coffee House Facebook Page for updates and information.

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100054339048511



# Mountain Dulcimer Players

Mark your calendars...our jams are returning...

## Tuesdays, October 10 & 24

Patricia Wolschon will host a jam at her home in Redford. Myself and Carol Ann will be your moderators.

Meetings will take place on the **2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of every month from 1 - 3pm**. Players of ALL levels are welcome as well as rhythm and back up players!



Contact Linda Osgood at: losgood10424@comcast.net or text at 734-649-3843



## Great Lakes Ukulele Gathering ...

...invites ukulele players to join us for monthly meetings where we will strum and sing. All music will be projected onto a screen so that we can all follow the lyrics and chords.

Gathering takes place on the first Wednesday of each month from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Refreshments will be provided and you are welcome to bring snacks to share.

A donation of \$3.00 is requested. So bring your Ukulele and your Voice for a good time. All levels and ages welcome. Your first visit is FREE.

GOOD HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH 28680 CHERRY HILL, GARDEN CITY between Inkster and Middlebelt Roads





For further information contact :Bob: <u>bsnemo@yahoo.com</u> Join us on Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/glughead</u> Check our website: <u>https://ukulelegathering.weebly.com/</u>



# FOR SALE

Rick Thumb Traveler Dulcimer for Sale. 14/13. Plays like 15/14. Excellent condition, and will include stand and case. Please feel free to contact with any questions.

Thank you so much. Phone # 313-208-2099



# FOR SALE

Hammered Dulcimer, Mountain Dulcimer, Mandolin, Guitar, and Accordion.

If interested please contact Ruth Keirl at 734-721-9025. This is a land line so you may leave a message. She is in Ann Arbor.



## **October-November 2023 Playlist**

Key	Tune	Play
D	Whiskey Before Breakfast	4
D	Over the Waterfall	3
G	I'll Fly Away	4
G	Westphalia Waltz	2*
G	You Are My Sunshine	4
G	Red Apple Rag	3
D	Harvest Home 3	
D	Turkey in the Straw 3	
D	Flight of the Haggis 4	
D	Black Mountain Rag 4	
С	Tennessee Waltz 3*	
Em	Tamlin 4   (start slow, each time a little faster) 4	
G	Muss I Denn	3
Am	Black Cat Schottische	3
Am	Cold Frosty Morn/3/3Schottische du Stockfish	
D	John Ryan's Polka 5*	
D	Saro Waltz 3*	
D	Young Roddy McCorley 3	
D/G	Simple Gifts 2/2	
А	Hangman's Reel	3
	Extras	
G	Amazing Grace	3
D	Hey (Boo) Polka 4	
G	Grandfather's Clock 3	
*2 <sup>nd</sup> time: HD's soft – feature other instruments		



# The Hammered Dulcimer from Around the World

Chang - Uzbekistan Cimbal - Slovakia Cimbál - Czech Republic Cimbal, cimbale - Croatia Cimbalai, cimbolai - Lithuania Cimbale, oprekelj - Slovenia Cimbalom, cymbalum, ţambalin - Hungary Cymbal, cimbole - Latvia Darushimaa - Japan Hackbräde, hammarharpa - Sweden Hackbrett - Austria, Switzerland and Bavaria Hakkebord - Belgium Hakkebord - Netherlands Hakkebræt - Denmark Hakkebrett - Norway Hammered Dulcimer - England and North America Joochin - Mongolia Khim - Thailand, Cambodia and Laos Psaltérion or tympanon - France Saltério - Brazil and Portugal Salterio - Italy, Spain, and Mexico Santoor, sandouri, or santouri - Greece Santur - Iran, Afghanistan, Armenia, Turkey, Pakistan, Iraq, and India Tambal - Romania Tam-thap-luk or đàn-tam-thập-lục - Vietnam Tiompan or tiompán - Scotland and Ireland Tsimbal - Serbia Tsimbl - Yiddish communities Tsymbaly - Belarus, & Ukraine, Moldova, and Poland Tsymbaly or dultsimer - Russia Whamdiddle, Lumberjack Piano - Early North America Yanggeum - Korea Yangqin, yang quin, or yang ch'in - China and Tibet

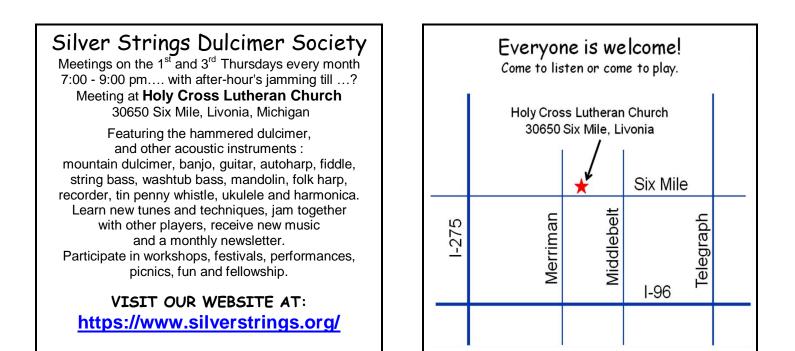


The September 7<sup>th</sup> Jam brought out 41 members for a lively evening of music.



Ann Wassell hosted a Pop-Up Jam under the pavilion at Cedarbrook on September 27<sup>th</sup>.

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Start thinking about getting articles for the newsletter to me by the 25<sup>th</sup>.

Articles or pictures from any member are always welcome, contact David at silverstrings.newletter@gmail.com

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